

Faculty Senate Executive Council (EC) Minutes for 3/1/2011

Members present: Bev McCormick, Kim Sharp, Doug Chatham, Royal Berglee, Julia Hypes, Michael Fultz, and Gary LaFleur

The meeting was held in the Senate Conference Room and called to order at 3:50 p.m.

EC Minutes of 2/15/2011: No changes - stand approved

Membership of Gen Ed Computer Competency Task Force: Senate- Julia Hypes, Becki Katz, Manuel Probst, Doug Chatham, Scott Wymer; Gen Ed Council- Gary Mesa-Gaido, Carol Wymer, Kim Sharp

The Provost and chair agreed to put together a task force to reconcile the differences between the Senate and administration visions for the PACs the Senate is considering (PAC-7, PAC-27, and PAC-29). Part of that group is supposed to come from the Faculty Welfare and Concerns Committee. Those members will be chosen by Thursday.

Discussed whether or not reports (Provost and others) should be in writing.
Discussed the Registration Advisory Committee.

Agenda items for March 3, 2011:

Minutes: Approval of minutes for Senate meeting February 17, 2011.

Reports: Dana Seelig and Jeffrey Liles will discuss scholarship proposal.

Chair's Report:

From President's Leadership Council: Diversity Plan; Senate Committee on Issues will review Diversity Plan and report to Senate and post comments to President's Council website. Academic Issues will review Credit for Prior Learning; working with community colleges to allow technical degreed students to attend MSU for a bachelor's degree, grant has been submitted to facilitate this action; KEES x2; Received UAR 331.02 - Use of Electronic Communications for University Messages (internal and external websites). Lesia Lennex is reviewing the language for possible revisions.

BOR – think state budget appropriation will stay the same; trying to get permission to include an already approved charge to students now that the Rec Center is almost complete; may get pay increases in July or January

Encouraged members to provide feedback on BB/Moodle.

Kim Sharp was asked to attend a meeting regarding the Unexcused Absence Policy.

Kim Sharp asked if we charge students to take placement tests at SOAR.

Senate Committee on Issues: will ask for volunteers to field test the survey, faculty perception of workplace; EC approved \$300 for gift cards for respondents to the survey to have a chance to win

Committee Reports:

Governance: will present proposed revisions to the committee description for the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for second reading

Evaluation: Two motions for first reading regarding evaluation

Faculty Welfare and Concerns: 2 PACs will be submitted for second reading; PACs will be voted on separately

Meeting Adjourned 5:15 pm